

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1        1. A method for technology sharing during demand and supply planning in a  
2        network-based supply chain, comprising the steps of:  
3        (a) providing locator capabilities utilizing a network;  
4        (b) transmitting and receiving technology utilizing the network, wherein the  
5        technology includes at least one of streaming video and audio data utilizing  
6        the network;  
7        (c) logging events utilizing the network;  
8        (d) managing user profile information utilizing the network;  
9        (e) wherein steps (a)-(d) are carried out for demand and supply planning of the  
10      network.
- 1        2. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of providing locator  
2        capabilities utilizing a network includes searching criteria to identify and  
3        display a locator map.
- 1        3. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of transmitting and  
2        receiving technology includes transmitting and receiving streaming, stereo  
3        audio data.
- 1        4. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of transmitting and  
2        receiving technology includes an encryption capability.
- 1        5. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of logging events utilizing  
2        the network includes an event reporting capability.
- 1        6. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of logging events utilizing  
2        the network includes an event log management capability.

- 1    7. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of managing user profile  
2       information utilizing the network includes automatically receiving and  
3       storing user identity and state.
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- 1    8. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of managing user profile  
2       information utilizing the network includes automatically receiving and  
3       storing user preferences and interests.
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- 1    9. A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of managing user profile  
2       information utilizing the network includes automatically exporting the user  
3       profile information to an active profile manager.
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- 1    10. A system for technology sharing during demand and supply planning in a  
2       network-based supply chain, comprising:  
3       (a) logic that provides locator capabilities utilizing a network;  
4       (b) logic that transmits and receives technology, wherein the technology  
5       includes at least one of streaming video and audio data utilizing the network;  
6       (c) logic that logs events utilizing the network; and  
7       (d) logic that manages user profile information utilizing the network; and  
8       (e) wherein logic elements (a)-(d) are executed for demand and supply planning  
9       of the network.
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- 1    11. A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium for  
2       technology sharing during demand and supply planning in a network-based  
3       supply chain, comprising:  
4       (a) a code segment that provides locator capabilities utilizing a network;  
5       (b) a code segment that transmits and receives technology, wherein the  
6       technology includes at least one of streaming video and audio data utilizing  
7       the network;  
8       (c) a code segment that logs events utilizing the network;  
9       (d) a code segment that manages user profile information utilizing the network;  
10      and

11 (e) wherein logic elements (a)-(d) are executed for demand and supply planning  
12 of the network.

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1 12. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 provides locator capabilities utilizing a network provides searching criteria to  
3 identify and display a locator map.

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1 13. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 transmits and receives technology transmits and receives streaming, stereo  
3 audio data.

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1 14. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 transmits and receives technology transmits and receives utilizing an  
3 encryption capability.

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1 15. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 logs events utilizing the network reports an event.

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1 16. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 logs events utilizing the network manages an event log.

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1 17. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 passively user profile information utilizing the network automatically  
3 receives and stores user identity and state.

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1 18. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 passively managing user profile information utilizing the network  
3 automatically receives and stores user preferences and interests.

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1 19. A computer program as recited in claim 11, wherein the code segment that  
2 passively manages user profile information utilizing the network,  
3 automatically exports the user profile information to an active profile  
4 manager.